WHEREAS, Current transportation technology makes it possible for a magnetic levitation transportation network to be a viable and economical alternative to conventional transportation systems; and

WHEREAS, A magnetic levitation transportation network would reduce traffic congestion, lower transportation costs, save energy, and reduce air and noise pollution; and

WHEREAS, The General Assembly is willing to work with Congress in developing a pilot project for construction of a magnetic levitation transit line between Washington, D.C. and Baltimore; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the General Assembly urges the United States Congress to fund locate a magnetic levitation transportation pilot project for in the Washington, D.C. – Baltimore transportation corridor; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be forwarded by the Department of Legislative Reference to the Maryland Congressional Delegation: Senators Paul S. Sarbanes and Barbara A. Mikulski, Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20510; and Representatives Wayne T. Gilchrest, Helen Delich Bentley, Benjamin L. Cardin, C. Thomas McMillen, Steny H. Hoyer, Beverly B. Byron, Kweisi Mfume, and Constance A. Morella, House Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515; the Honorable William Donald Schaefer, Governor of Maryland; the Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr., President of the Senate of Maryland; and the Honorable R. Clayton Mitchell, Jr., Speaker of the House of Delegates.

Signed May 14, 1991.

Joint Resolution No. 4

(House Joint Resolution No. 19)

A House Joint Resolution concerning

Granting of Most Favored Nation Status to the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics

FOR the purpose of urging the President to support and the Congress of the United States to enact House Resolution 559, sponsored by Representatives Cardin, Mfume, McMillen, and others, to make the independence of the Baltic republics a condition for the granting of Most Favored Nation Status to the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

WHEREAS, The freely elected government of Lithuania, whose courageous stand against Soviet communism has inspired a global movement for freedom, is in immediate danger from the Red Army and the KGB; and